

ROTARpinte

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OPENING

Time: 6:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance: Roger Hull

Invocation: John Mozena

GUESTS

Richard O'Neill, guest of Judy Masserang.

VISITING ROTARIANS

None.

BIRTHDAYS

Kim Towar (3/25) and Steve Brownell (3/31).

ANNIVERSARIES

John Kronner, 11 years.

ROVING REPORTER

Gary Niehaus

-- Jon Gandelot and Dino Valente gave shout outs to their alma maters (Michigan and Villanova, respectively) as they advance to the Final Four. Dino has attended his school's two national championships and hopes to be there for its third.
-- Gary was able to see Rotary's impact on the international stage at his recent President-Elect training. 39 million children in Pakistan were just provided with the polio vaccine by 2,900 volunteers. The next project is to provide \$50 million to Haiti on an annual basis for 10 years to implement a clean water and sanitation system.

-- Gary's oldest son is expecting his second child this fall.

SUNSHINE NEWS

-- No news.

OIL CAN

-- Mike Carmody passed it to Bill Scott for his tireless effort in running our exchange student program.

SERVICE PROJECTS

Diane Strickler

-- Tiny Homes Project on 4/4.

Volunteers are all set to paint two homes. Any questions, contact Bob Lucas.

-- Gleaners from 1:00 to 3:30 on 4/14. Five more volunteers are needed. Please contact Phil

MacKethan to help out.

-- Moross Greenway on 4/21. Bring your work gloves and rakes to Grace Church at 9:00 AM.

-- If anyone has any service projects the Club should undertake, please let Diane know.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- Paul Rentenbach announced that the District provided a \$1,000 grant towards the restoring of monuments by the Revolution Flag Group.

-- If interested in attending the Matrix Human Services fundraising breakfast at the DAC on 5/15, please contact Paul.

-- To set your calendar, there will be no meetings on 4/4, 5/23, and 6/27.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

David Flynn, DIA Executive Director of Public Affairs

The Detroit Institute of Arts began on Jefferson in 1888 and moved to its current location in 1927. Its annual budget is \$35 million with 350 full time employees.

The past 10 years have been extremely challenging for the

museum. The 2008 recession resulted in the loss of City of Detroit money and many large private donors. This led to a millage being sought and ultimately approved by the Macomb, Oakland, and Wayne County voters in 2012. These funds pay for 2/3 of the budget each year. Then came the Detroit bankruptcy. Since the City owned the building and the artwork, those in power at the DIA had to be very creative in ascertaining ownership of the art to argue against selling any of it to satisfy the City's debt.

The DIA has been described as the most visitor friendly museum in the world. There is free admission to residents of the 3 counties, multiple school field trip opportunities (buses provided), a senior program, and community partnership programs. Upcoming exhibits include Play Ball and Star Wars: The Power of Costume. To learn more, visit www.dia.org.

FLOWER RAFFLE

\$854 in the pot with \$427 going to the winner. Jim Fikany, not for the first time and possibly a third time, found the joker. This means he was able to take home the money and the beautiful arrangement provided by Charvat The Florist.

CALENDAR

Apr 04: No meeting.

Apr 18: Lynn Komasara & Christine Green – Star Commonwealth